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SIMPLE KIND OF MAN

With the hot summer heat, Eastern and Charleston community members can swim, play and lie in the sun at a three-pool complex starting Monday.

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A VOICE IN THE CROWD

Matt Piescinkii is the voice behind state high school track meets, graduation commencements and other important Eastern events.

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CRIME PREVENTION | FRAUD ALERT



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There were 3,207 reports of identity theft made to the Illinois Attorney General in 2011. The Illinois Attorney General’s number to report consumer fraud is 1-800-243-0607.

Local officers warn against card fraud

Recent credit and debit card fraud cases shine light on bigger issues

By Robyn Dexter
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In a world where technology and computers are so prevalent, instances like credit and debit card fraud are frequent occurrences.

In late April, there was a series of reports to the University Police Department concerning credit and debit card fraud on campus.

Along with the reported debit and credit card frauds, a recent case of identity theft on campus was also reported.

At 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, an identity theft was reported at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Officer David Closson of the UPD said the police department handles credit and debit card cases like any other criminal case, and they are forwarded to the detective for investigation.

“There were seven reports in 2011 on campus, but the stats only cover things reported on campus,” Closson said.

Identity theft occurs when a person steals wallets and purses containing a person’s identification and credit/bank cards, Closson said.

Other methods include stealing mail, rummaging through trash,

finding personal information either in the home or on the Internet, phishing scams, completing a change of address kit to divert mail to divert mail to another location and “dumpster diving.”

“Do not store your PIN number on your card,” Closson said.

He said he has seen several instances where students will write their 4-digit PIN number on the back of the credit or debt card, making it basically effortless for a thief to access the account.

Though he could not reveal de-

nationally.

He said the CPD sees a number of credit and debit card cases, but they are often referred to the Illinois Attorney General’s office because they are frequently national or international in nature.

“In this day of electronic everything, you could be across the world victimizing people right here in Charleston,” he said. “It’s gotten a lot tougher to police.”

Oyer advises cardholders to look out for themselves in all financial aspects of life.

“If anything questionable comes up on your statements, call your credit or debit card company immediately to get it canceled.”

Lt. Brad Oyer, Charleston Police Department

tails of the recent cases on campus such as how much money was charged and where on campus the incidents took place, Closson said they are under investigation.

Lt. Brad Oyer of the Charleston Police Department said people need to be aware of their credit card numbers and keep track of them.

“Being cautious with your card when you use it at restaurants and people walk away with it is important,” he said.

Oyer said credit and debit card fraud is becoming more of a problem locally, nationally and inter-

“If anything questionable comes up on your statements, call your credit or debit card company immediately to get it canceled,” he said. “The worst thing you can do is not pay attention to your account for 30, 60, even 90 days, and all of a sudden there are a whole bunch of fraudulent charges.”

Oyer said he personally uses one card for online and restaurant purchases.

“I don’t have multiple cards, so I really watch that account closely,” he said.

“My bank has caught suspicious

activity in the past and we’ve canceled the account immediately.”

Oyer said students should not loan their cards to their friends or significant others.

“We just see that as a problem time and time again,” he said.

Writing PIN numbers down can be a big problem for people who possess credit or debit cards, Oyer said.

“If you really need to use a PIN, then it absolutely has to be something you can remember,” he said. “Don’t write it on your driver’s license or the card itself.”

If a cardholder has a bad feeling about a situation with a card or their PIN number, Oyer said they should contact their provider as soon as possible.

“If you’re not comfortable with something, call and cancel your card,” he said. “The card companies will work with you because they don’t want to be out the money either.”

According to the Illinois Criminal Code Section 5, Article 17, Subdivision 25, the use of counterfeit, forged, expired, revoked or unissued credit or debit cards and use of a card with intent to defraud is classified as a Class 4 felony.

The Illinois Unified Code of Corrections penalizes a Class 4 felony by a term of 1-3 years in prison, a fine of up to \$25,000 for each offense and/or restitution.

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CITY

O’Brien parking under review

By Amanda Wilkinson
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The Charleston City Council voted to place an ordinance amendment closing parking near Eastern during special events at O’Brien Stadium on file Tuesday.

The special events include commencement ceremonies, home football games, state high school track meets and Special Olympics celebrations.

Mayor Larry Rennels said the city would be generalizing the ordinance so they would not have to go back and change it.

“In the past, it has had specific dates on it then every year, we would have to change it to put the dates (of the events) on it,” he said.

The ordinance would prohibit parking on Orchard Drive, Chamberlin Drive, from C Street to University Drive, and C Street, from west Grant Avenue to the dead end of the street.

The no parking zone will be enforced two hours before and after the events if the ordinance is passed.

“All those streets are rather narrow streets,” Rennels said. “It’s narrow enough that if they park on both sides of the street, if it were necessary to get an ambulance or a fire truck down there, it’d be pretty difficult.”

He said in the past, they have closed the same streets for similar events.

The ordinance amendment was placed on file to be voted on at the June 4 meeting.

The council also approved the bid award for a new ambulance.

The \$131,967 bid was awarded to American Response Vehicles in Columbia, Mo.

Rennels said the purchase would be replacing an ambulance purchased in 2007.

He said this purchase is different from other ambulance purchases they have made in the past.

The city has purchased ambulances from the same company to keep vehicles consistent, Rennels said.

“No matter which one an EMT got into, he knew exactly what drawer to open for what supply he wanted,” he said.


The original supplier went out of business so the city had to look for a new vendor, Rennels said.

The council also approved the loan agreement for the purchased of a used crane truck.

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Local weather

TODAY



Chance of rain
High: 67°
Low: 43°
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Low: 50°


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CITY | JACKSON AVENUE COFFEE

Local coffee shop still thriving



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Dano Reible, the owner of Jackson Avenue Coffee, pours steamed cream into a mug to make a "Tony's Heart Murmur" at the coffee shop Wednesday. He said the drink also requires white chocolate, hazelnut and extra espresso.

Jackson Avenue Coffee doing well after December fundraiser

By Amanda Wilkinson
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After the fundraiser in December, Jackson Avenue Coffee made changes for the better to continue business on the Square. Dano Reible, owner of the coffee shop, said since he learned about the state tax debt, he was planning on fixing the problem. The problem was, Reible said, the coffee shop had acquired about \$18,000 in state tax debt.

Reible said his friends, Melanie Mills and Diana Ingram, both faculty at Eastern, heard about the coffee shop's debt on Dec. 1, 2012 and hosted the fundraiser on Dec. 6. Reible said he thought he would still have to close no matter how much was raised. He said he was thrilled when he found out how much was raised because he did not realize they would come so close to the debt amount. Throughout the night, Reible checked the amount raised every hour. He said there was a lot of business the night of the fundraiser, but he thought it would eventually slow down. By 8:30 p.m., Reible checked the amount raised, and there was about \$17,000. "When we did the final count, it was \$19,000," Reible said. They had raised \$19,200 that night but another check for \$100 came in from Eastern students the next day, he said. "Really, I had my doubts but boy, I



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Charleston residents patronize Jackson Avenue Coffee Tuesday. Charleston residents came out to support Jackson Avenue Coffee from going out of business Dec. 6, 2012.

had no idea," Reible said. Reible said since the fundraiser, revenue and customer base has increased. "Immediately since the fundraiser, business has been up, probably 30 percent at first just in daily sales," he said. "We have noticed a lot of new customers, a lot of people that we haven't seen in a while and have been back as regular customers again. It's been really nice, really positive." The summer months have slowed down because of the decrease in students, but there has still been students studying for the summer session. Reible said going from thinking they were going to close no matter what to knowing they had raised enough to stay open was a great feeling. "It's been an absolute blessing," he said. "It's unbelievable the amount of weight that's off of our shoulders." One thing that was the true blessing, Reible said, was the community turnout.

"To think in four days the community of Charleston would donate enough to save our little shop," he said. More than six months have passed since the fundraiser that saved the coffee shop, and Reible said working in his coffee shop has been great. Reible said he has changed the way he pays for his taxes. Every day he takes a portion of the money and sets it aside. Five monthly and quarterly tax payments were due, and Reible said they have paid each one on time. "It's been nice to work without (the debt) hanging over my head," he said. "The JAC is here and we have definitely been validated by a lot of people that have come out and given their own money to make sure we're still here because they love the JAC."

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PROGRESS SINCE DECEMBER

\$18,000
The amount of money Dano Reible owed in state tax debt

\$19,300
The amount of money raised by Charleston community members to help Reible keep the JAC open

30 percent
The amount business has been up since the JAC had its fundraiser



PHOTOS BY AMANDA WILKINSON | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Gena Bunch, the aquatic facility supervisor of the Rotary Community Aquatic Center, throws calcium hypochlorite shock into the pool to sanitize it Wednesday. The aquatic center will open on May 27.

Charleston pool to open

By **Samantha McDaniel**
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With the hot summer heat, Eastern and Charleston community members can swim, play and lie in the sun at a three-pool complex starting Monday. The Rotary Community Aquatic Center, located at 920 17th St., will be open for open swim at noon Monday. Gena Bunch, the facility supervisor, said the three pools offered in the complex provide a wide variety of activities for everyone, from children to adults. Bunch said people often ask her if any of the pools are heated. “I turn the solar heater on every morning,” Bunch said. One of the three pools is a zero-entry pool that only goes as deep as 1 ft. 6 in. and has different water features or toys. The different toys spout water for people to play in, and each feature has water valves that allow the children to control the flow of water. Eastern football players are also often seen in the zero-entry pool with the water toys. One toy, called the camel back, is a favorite of the team members. “They will go in there and stand

under the camel back because it is just the right height that that stream pumbles down on their shoulders,” Bunch said. She said pool workers will often see them after practice. “It’s the funniest thing to see this big football player in there with the little kids,” Bunch said. Female Eastern students also lie out by the side of the zero pool because there is a mist, and they can soak their feet in the water. One pool featuring a diving board and a slide was renovated from an indoor pool around 1980 when the building’s roof fell in. This pool ranges from 3 ft. 6 in. to 10 ft. deep in the diving well. Bunch said they could have filled in the pool, but decided to tear down the building and install the slide. The complex also offers an Olympic-sized pool that was modified in 2006 after the diving boards were moved to another pool, Bunch said. The end where the diving boards used to be was filled in so the two ends were within a foot of each other and turned into lap lanes for swimmers who wanted to do laps. The pool goes from 3 ft. 6 in. to 5 ft deep.

The pools are monitored by nine lifeguards at a time. Bunch said all the lifeguards are given training in CPR every day before their shift starts, and they get in the pool to do different forms of training. “We practice preventative guarding,” Bunch said. “We practice seeing what will happen before it happens so we don’t have to go in.” The pool is handicap accessible, with chair lifts that can lower people into the pool. Bunch said college students often go to the pool and hang out in the northeast corner of the complex, which staff members nicknamed College Corner. “There is nothing special for them, but it is where they migrate too,” Bunch said. The pool will be open for open swim from noon to 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and Friday, noon to 5 p.m. on Thursdays, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays. The pool will be open for family swim from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday and Sunday. Daily admission to the pool is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 and adults 55 years old and older. The complex offers a variety of



Evan Bower, the assistant manager at the Rotary Community Aquatic Center, vacuums the bottom of the pool at the aquatic center Wednesday.

classes for children and adults, from learning to swim to learning to be a lifeguard.

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Planet Weiner to close its doors

Staff Report

Planet Weiner will be going out of business Saturday. According to a post on the Planet Weiner Facebook page, the store will be open regular hours leading up to the closing. The store will be open from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday and 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The owner declined to comment about the store closing.

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The loan with Prairie State Bank is outlined to not exceed more than \$70,000 and will have an interest rate of 1.695 percent for five years. The council also approved the street closure for the St. Charles Borromeo Summer Start-Up Festival on June 9. Ninth Street, between Madison Avenue and Jefferson Avenue, and Jefferson Avenue between Ninth and 10th Street, will be closed from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. The council also approved the street closure for the annual farmer’s market every Wednesday starting at 7 a.m. June 5.

Rennels said the market will run until the end of October or until the weather gets bad. One lane around the courthouse on the north and west side will be closed from 5 a.m. to noon, he said.

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BLOTTER

- At 12:45 p.m. Monday, a private property accident occurred near the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. No citations were issued.
- At 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, an identity theft was reported at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. This incident is under investigation.

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PAWS UP/PAWS DOWN



RUNNING DOWN A DREAM: IHSA boys state track meet is this weekend. We're anticipating the results.



STANDARD ILLINOIS: Just when we thought summer had actually hit, we're back with weird, unpredictable weather.



FREAKY FAST: The last few residence halls are being upgraded to Wi-Fi. Now we can be more plugged-in than ever.



SPLISH SPLASH: With yesterday's rain, campus will be one big puddle. Bust out the rain boots!



TOP CATS: Track and Field is sending 11 athletes to Texas to compete in the NCAA West Regional. Go, Panthers!

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“LET’S GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT”

What do you think about Planet Weiner closing on Friday?

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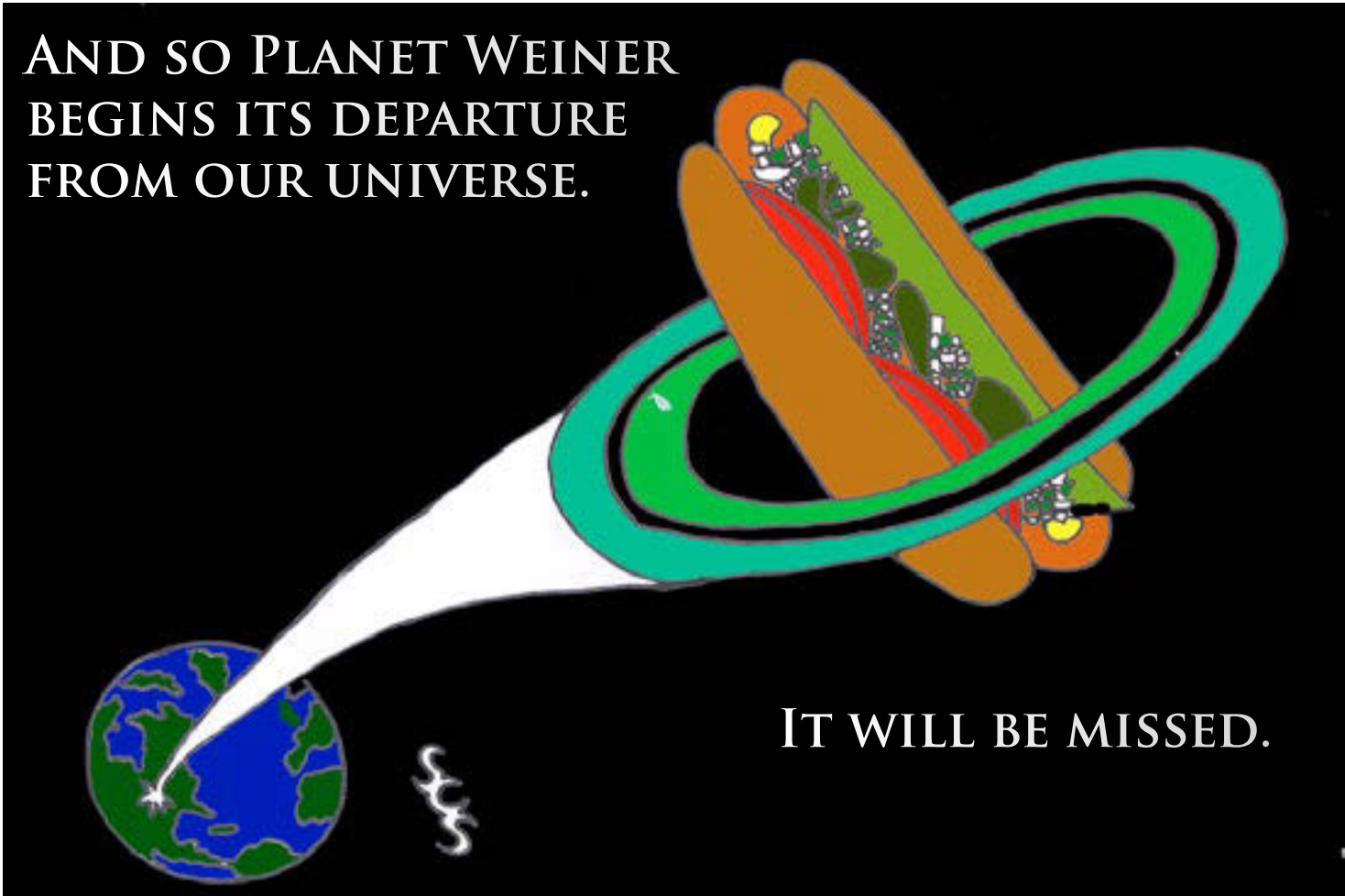


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STAFF EDITORIAL

Safety should be promoted through new parking ordinance

With the Charleston City Council looking to vote on amending an ordinance to close parking near Eastern during special events at O'Brien Stadium during their June 4 meeting, we at *The Daily Eastern News* want to extend our support.

The area around O'Brien Stadium is set up as a major risk factor with the number of cars parked in there during special events. There is no way an ambulance or fire truck could easily navigate the small residential streets on the west side of campus with cars parked on both sides of the street.

Take this past weekend's state track meet as an example.

On Saturday, there was almost no place for a driver to pull over and park their car on the side streets just north of O'Brien, let alone enough space for an ambulance to get to an emergency location.

So let us create a scenario: say there was an accident that occurred on C Street where cars happen to be parked on both sides of the road. Say there was a fire. Imagine how difficult it would be for a fire truck to get to the fire if the driver could not even drive onto the street itself.

If someone was driving down the street and their car broke down, all the cars behind it would be stuck as well.

OUR POSITION

- **Situation:** Charleston City Council will vote on a new parking ordinance
- **Stance:** We support the city's decision to make roads safer during special events

Clearly, there is a problem.

Not to mention how hectic parking gets during events like Homecoming where every student and their parents want to park close to the stadium and do their best to succeed.

The amendment to the parking ordinance should solve this problem by formally keeping the areas of Orchard Drive from Grant Avenue to Johnson Avenue, Chamberlin Drive and C Street from being parked in for two hours before and after special events.

With this, drivers should be aware of the steep prices they will have to pay if they are towed for parking in closed parking zones.

The city can slap on a permit violation ticket for parking on the city streets that could cost a driver around \$500. This does not factor in the approximate \$300 fee that has to be paid to the towing company to re-acquire one's vehicle after it is towed.

Parking in and around Eastern is always a hot topic, but mandating policies such as this one can benefit the entire community.

Though the inconvenience is temporary, the safety benefits overall and in the long run are well worth it. The city council would do well to approve the ordinance and ensure everyone's safety.

Sexual assault can hit close to home

With the increase in sexual assault awareness on campus, I have tried to increase my own awareness of the issue.

But I never thought I would get a first-hand experience with it when someone I knew, and trusted, would be accused of aggravated sexual assault.

I won't say who is being accused of this crime, because he swears he did not do anything. I want to believe him, but I'm not sure if I do.

I am not the type of person to defend anyone who would commit any act of violence, and forcing a woman to have sex or any other type of sexual act is very high on my wrong list.

It is difficult to learn that this person is capable of an act like that, but I've said if he did it, I will cease any form of communication with him.

If he is innocent, then nothing will change.

Obviously, because I know the person, I have been told some of what allegedly happened.



Samantha McDaniel

He was working, and a woman who was drunk got separated from her friends.

He took her to where he and his wife stayed to rest before returning to work.

His wife was still at work, but says that he was not gone long enough to have done anything.

The next morning he took the woman to meet her friends.

Fluids were found when they used a rape kit on the scene.

Even if the woman was drunk or in any way impaired, that would give him no excuse to do anything to her.

I want to believe that he was just trying to help a girl who was impaired and lost.

Everyone says if something happens to them or someone they know, they would react a certain way.

That is what I believed — that I would be angry and able to just kick that person out of my life — but it is a lot harder when that person is family.

He is being detained, and DNA tests are being done, so I don't know yet if charges will be filed.

I don't know how I will feel when I find out what the investigation reveals.

I think I'll be sad that someone so close could have done something so horrible, but also, not a sense of relief, but peace in knowing a sex offender was brought to justice.

If the investigation proves he did not do anything, then I assume I'll be happy that an innocent man didn't go to prison, but sad that her rapist is still out there somewhere.

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Cooking Mediterranean



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Chef Cecilia Ricci, a visiting professor from Florence, Italy, explains how to prepare and cut green onions Tuesday in Room 2309 of Klehm Hall. She teaches at the Culinary Institute of Apicius, and was on campus teaching students how to make potato dumplings gnocchi with bell pepper sauce, and ravioli with spinach and ricotta filling.

Carman Hall to undergo upgrades

By Robyn Dexter
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Workers are using the summer months to get a head start on projects, with Carman Hall closing its doors in the fall for renovations and construction, .

Mark Hudson, the director of University Housing and Dining Services, said they will go into assessment mode after this weekend.

This weekend, the rooms will house one last group of students as the boys IHSA state track meet comes to Eastern's campus.

Hudson said there were 70 or 80 girls staying in Carman for the previous weekend's meet, and he estimates about the same numbers for this weekend.

When the meet is over, engineers and workers will begin work on the residence hall.

"We're in the process of hiring an engineer who is an expert at HVAC systems, which is heating and air conditioning and also plumbing," he said. "They're going to go in and do an assessment of the building based on little issues and what we can do to resolve them."

In order to do that, the engineers and workers will have to tear down some walls to get to the piping.

"That'll be kind of the messy part probably later this summer," Hudson said.

The other Carman project taking place while the majority of students are at home is elevator work.

"The four elevators are going to get new hoists in them," he said. "These hoists are what the cars go up and down on."

All four hoists will have to be transported from ground level to the tenth floor where the hoists are installed.

"A great big crane will appear out there this summer to take out the old hoists and put in the new ones," he said. "It should be happening some time in late June."

The hoists will cost \$130,000 because they have to be specially made.

The current hoists are the ones that were originally installed.

"We intend to use the building again, so we want to get this taken care of," Hudson said.

Hudson said those two projects are two very basic comfort issues for students, so they want to get a sense of how the students are reacting to the Carman environment.

"We're going to conduct a survey so we can determine a kind of wireless system to put into the building," he said.

Hudson said the survey process involves ensuring the best wireless for students throughout the residence hall.

"It seems funny to do a survey, but they go room to room to see what signal they get," he said. "If it's necessary to have a distribution point every three rooms, that's what we'll do."

Meeting the needs of the students and the wireless connection they need to do their schoolwork is key, Hudson said.

"We just want to have good coverage everywhere in the building," he said.

By working with the heating and cooling and installing new hoists, Hudson said they hope to give students better climate control.

"The building should be more balanced in heating and cooling," he said. "(The improvements) will also provide them with Wi-Fi, which is like air to breathe."

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Housing uses survey, works on projects

By Samantha McDaniel
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Finishing the campus wide wireless internet is the main project for the housing staff this summer.

The University Housing and Dining Services staff members are working on projects this summer to increase resident satisfaction.

Mark Hudson, the director of the University Housing and Dining Services, said they base summer projects off of the results they receive from the surveys, like installing Wi-fi internet in the residence halls.

Every summer housing staff prioritizes projects to work on in the different residence halls, Hudson said.

"The number of summer projects is limited by the enrollment, because we are a stand alone department, and the money we have for projects comes from our income," Hudson said.

A five-year project has been the installation of Wi-Fi in the residence halls, which will be completed this summer.

"Pemberton and Greek Court are the last two environments we are doing for Wi-Fi, so that means next fall, all room and board areas will have wireless access from the rooms," Hudson said.

According to the results from the satisfaction survey, there are an av-

erage of 3.7 wireless devices per resident. There was also a 26-percent increase in the use of Wi-Fi in the public areas of the buildings.

In the 2012-2013 survey results, choices offered in the dining centers.

The Residence Hall Satisfaction Survey is done every year to get a sense of what the on-campus residents think about the staff and ac-

"The number of summer projects is limited by the enrollment, because we are a stand alone department, and the money we have comes from our income"

-Mark Hudson, director of University Housing and Dining Services

only 63 percent of respondents were satisfied with the bathroom facilities, and 89 percent said they felt that the custodial staff kept the bathrooms clean.

In the past, the housing department has updated the bathrooms in McKinney Hall from community-style bathrooms to 24 private-style bathrooms, Hudson said.

According to the survey results, the respondents in these buildings reported at 96.4 percent satisfaction rate.

Satisfaction with the variety of food offered in the dining halls has decreased, according to the results, while there was an 8-percent increase to 94 percent of residents who said they were aware of the healthy food accommodations available to them.

"We figure out what the residents' highest needs (are.) We figure out what we can afford, and we go make it happen," Hudson said.

Hudson said the projects they do will vary from summer to summer.

"There are more things that we want to do, but right now we are going to have to stick with what we think is the top priority," Hudson said. "With enrollment looking better, that will get us to a spot where that will be better, too," Hudson said.

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Video Game Review



Zachary White

‘Dishonored’:
Choices determine
gameplay experience

You stand in a world brought to its knees by plague, political assassination and utter incompetence.

Your goal: to pay back in blood the lives that were taken from you and bring about a changed world.

In Bethesda Studios’ “Dishonored,” released in October, you play as the royal bodyguard Corvo Attano who turns assassin after seeing his empress murdered in plain daylight.

The storyline purpose in the game is to save the empress’ daughter, who was kidnapped, and to take revenge on the corrupt government the runs the city of Dunwall.

Save the princess, save the city. Pretty straightforward — except that it isn’t.

The gameplay in “Dishonored” is whatever you want it to be.

You can play through the game as the would-be assassin, killing everyone in your path and gaining complete revenge.

This is the way it was built to be played if you aim to fly through it.

Or you can go into the game aiming to kill no one. You can stay hidden throughout the game, unseen by the enemies lurking behind every corner.

Instead of killing, you can knock enemies unconscious, blackmail them into submission or leave them untouched completely.

And based on your actions, the game reacts and changes the end outcome.

This means there is a way to play the entire game one way, and go back and play it again and again in a completely different style.

On top of the multiple levels of playability that the game allows for, the entire structure of the city of Dunwall is a gamer’s playground.

Every nook and cranny offers space to go unseen with hollowed-out buildings that offer more for the player to constantly explore.

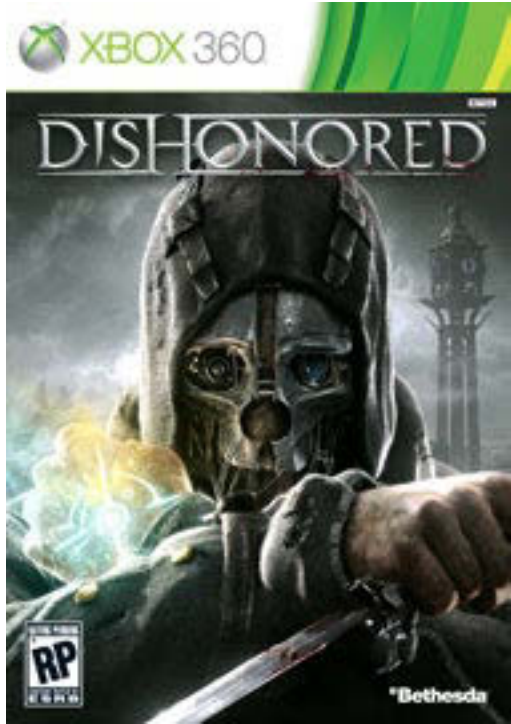
While the gameplay and storyline are pretty exciting, the game does have two flaws.

The first is that the story ends quite abruptly.

It is almost as if the writer didn’t have enough time left to put finishing touches on the story, or they could not decide how they wanted to end it — so they just ended it.

The second is that you can play through the entire game easily using the repertoire of an assassin to easily assassinate your enemies, but if you decide to go though the game and stay invisible there are few ways of doing so.

Because of this, the gameplay while staying invisible becomes quite boring and repetitive.



ALBUM REVIEW



by Robyn Dexter

Mike Seander, better known these days by his hip-hop name, Mike Stud, just finished up and released his much-anticipated album, “Relief.”

Stud has been hyping the album on Twitter for months, and with good reason.

The album is made up of 12 tracks ranging from humorous tracks to sentimental tracks thanking his fans.

He has spent the past three years gaining popularity with music-lovers of all kinds, and has been compared to artists like Drake and Mac Miller.

1. “Thank You” – 4.5/5 – Stud kicks off the album with a thank-you to his fans through this catchy, smooth-flowing track. In “Thank You,” Stud takes his listeners through all the people in his life he is grateful for, humbling himself to show his fans who he is really about. Definitely one of the most solid tracks on the album.

2. “Young King” – 3/5 – “Young King” has a softer sound, similar to some of Drake’s music. The lyrics talk about the lifestyle of a musician who is climbing to the top, which is what Stud has been doing for the past few years.

3. “Just Let Go” – 4/5 – This carefree, fast-paced track has a lighthearted feel to it, showing an easy-going side to Stud’s music. Like in “Young King,” Stud raps his way through his climb to the top, singing how “everything will be fine.”

Former college baseball star Mike Stud
brings “Relief” with latest album

4. “Batter Up” – 2/5 – This track brings back Stud’s past playing baseball for Duke before sustaining an injury and having Tommy John surgery. It starts with a ball-park keyboard and moves into lyrics about getting with girls. Though it’s catchy, it’s not as memorable as the other tracks.

5. “I’m Not Sorry” – 3/5 – Stud apologizes for partying multiple times in this track and living for the moment. It’s perfect for just hanging out or pregameing.

6. “Bad Habits” – 5/5 – Definitely my favorite track on this album. Collaborating with Kinetics and One Love, Stud brings a smooth-flowing, easygoing vibe about “walking away from bad habits.”

7. “Kids” – 3.5/5 – This track also shows a softer, more humble side of Stud’s music. Though it’s lighthearted and all about staying young forever, the message is deeper. “Success is a journey, but we treat it like a place. And it doesn’t make sense if you don’t enjoy the ride.”

8. “Feels Good Right Here” – 4/5 – Stud shows how comfortable he is with where he is at in life with this easygoing track. It’s refreshing to hear how much he respects his fans and wants them along for

the ride with lyrics saying how he’s OK with the journey as “long as all ya’ll comin’.

9. “Oh No” – 2/5 – This track has a bit too much of a rap feel for my liking, and I feel like Stud’s trying a bit too hard with this one. The rest of his tracks flow so effortlessly, but this song just doesn’t seem to fit with the rest of “Relief.”

10. “F*** That” – 2/5 – Though the lyrics in this song are clever and fit together well, it’s an angrier track where Stud shows how he doesn’t have time for haters. Not a huge fan of this one.

11. “Perfect For Me” – 3.5/5 – This song, originally released as part of a series of “Sunday Stud Days” Mike put out over the summer, defines a friends-with-benefits situation in which Stud ends up falling for a girl he usually only sees late at night.

12. “Past Gone” – 4/5 – Easily the most heartfelt song on the album, and it was released earlier this year. The track is about a girl Stud met on tour who was struggling with drug abuse, depression and thoughts of suicide. He reached out to her, kept in contact with her and wrote this song about her. Seeing artists like Stud reach out to fans who are struggling is so refreshing.

In theaters this weekend ...

The Hangover Part III

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Plot: In the aftermath of the death of Alan’s father, the wolfpack decide to take Alan to get treated for his mental issues. But things start to go wrong on the way to the hospital as the wolfpack is assaulted and Doug is kidnapped. Now they must find Mr. Chow again in order to surrender him to the gangster who kidnapped Doug in order to save him.



FEATURE | VOICE PERSONALITY

Announcer records Eastern history

Eastern alum voice of Panther sports, IHSA track meets, Charleston sports

By Michael Spencer
@DEN_Sports

This weekend, Matt Piescinski will be the voice of the IHSA boy's state track meet at O'Brien Stadium. But for the Eastern community, he is more than just a voice. He is the proverbial narrator of the university's recent history.

Piescinski is an Eastern chemistry graduate who works at Mars Petcare in Mattoon. Piescinski said he believes it is because of the tight knit university community that he has been allowed to go outside of his professional occupation and be at the helm of Eastern's most historic moments in recent memory.

He got his start in broadcasting through WELH, a carrier current radio station at Eastern in the 1970s. A carrier current station is one that broadcasts to one building or a group of buildings, such as a college campus, by way of the individual wiring of the buildings themselves.

WELH was the predecessor for the WEIU television station. Piescinski acted as the station manager during his time on campus.

Working at WELH, Piescinski developed a basis for PA announcing while covering Panther sports. In that time, he covered two basketball teams which advanced to the NCAA Division II finals and finished third in each appearance in 1976 and 1978.

Today, Piescinski acts as a public address announcer for the state track meets and several other meets across the state from Belleville to Chicago. He has worked the state cross country meet in Peoria at Detweiller Park. Additionally, he has been a PA announcer at football and basketball games for Eastern.

In preparation for the state track meet, Piescinski travels to meets across the state of Illinois to gather names and information. Charleston native and future Eastern cross country and track athlete Riley McNerney is someone Piescinski has seen at state track and cross country meets for four



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Matt Piescinski is the voice behind state high school track meets, graduation commencements and other important Eastern events. Piescinski said he got his start working at the Eastern radio station, WELH, in the 1970s.

years. Piescinski said he is looking forward to being there for McNerney's final run.

Being a part of the Eastern sports history is something Piescinski said he is very proud of.

"I did all of Tony Romo's football games. I did all of Sean Payton's football games," Piescinski said. "I knew Kevin Duckworth."

But it has not just been athletic greatness which Piescinski's public speaking career has overseen; he is also the voice of graduation.

Five generations of Eastern students have graduated under the voice of Piescinski. For twenty years, he has called the names of every Eastern graduate.

"I still pinch myself, sitting up there and realizing that I'm kind of a

gatekeeper for commencement," Piescinski said.

Not only has he been the voice of commencement, but he was also the master of ceremonies for the inauguration of President Bill Perry.

A recording of the ceremony is now in Eastern's historical archives.

"I've always had people in the administration kind of back me to let me do some of this historic stuff. I asked, 'Just let me have a role in (the inauguration of President Perry),' " Piescinski said. "Then 10 days before it I'm handed a binder and they say, 'It's your show.'"

He was master of ceremonies for the centennial celebration at Eastern when they opened the corner stone at Old Main.

"I've witnessed a lot of Eastern history," Piescinski said.

But the reality is that Piescinski is much more than a witness. He has acted as the narrator for some of the biggest events in the history of the university.

"The attitude of the university is that when they have an event where they need somebody to do any kind of public address announcement, you think of Matt first," Assistant Athletic Director Dave Kidwell said.

Kidwell attributes Piescinski's success in PA announcing to his willingness to put in the extra time to do the little things that make a big difference.

"I enjoy walking away from something and knowing I've made the

package more than what it basically is," Piescinski said.

Piescinski has established himself in the market of collegiate athletics. Last Thanksgiving, he traveled of Puerto Vallarta, Mexico to act as PA announcer at the men's and women's Division I "Hoops for Hope" basketball tournament.

From exotic places and top notch D-I programs, to Charleston High School winter basketball tournaments, Piescinski manages to keep his work in perspective.

"I enjoy giving kids a memory," Piescinski said.

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HIGH SCHOOL | STATE

IHSA boy's track and field starts Thursday

Staff Report
@Den_Sports

The IHSA State Track and Field for boys kicks off at 10 a.m. Thursday at O'Brien Stadium. Practice for athletes starts at 8 a.m.

Thursday starts off high school Class 1A field events beginning with long jump at 10 a.m. followed by high jump at 10:30.

All running events will begin at 11 a.m. following the playing of the National Anthem.

Pole-vault and shot put competitions also begin at 11 a.m. with discus starting at 1:10 p.m.

Triple jump will start immediately following the long jump events on the soonest available lane, with a pending time set for 1:10 p.m. as well.

The running events will be held in the following order starting at 11 a.m.: 4x800-meter relay, 4x100-meter relay, 110-me-

ter high hurdles, 100-meter dash, 800-meter run, 4x200-meter relay, 400-meter dash, 300-meter intermediate hurdles, 1600-meter run, 200-meter dash and 4x400-meter relay.

The finish time for all events is set for 3 p.m. Thursday.

On Friday the schedule starts at 8 a.m. for Class 2A with long jump, followed directly afterwards by triple jump.

High jump starts at 8:30 a.m., followed by shot put and pole vault at 9 a.m., and discus starting at 11 a.m.

The Class 2A running events start at 9 a.m. and go until around 12:30 p.m. following the same running schedule as Class 1A.

Class 3A field events start at noon on Friday with long jump, followed by triple jump and high jump.

Pole vault starts at 12:30 p.m., shot put at 12:50 and discus starts at 2:45 p.m.

Class 3A running events start at 12:55 p.m. and go until around 4:20 p.m. fol-

lowing the same scheduled order as Class 1A and 2A.

Saturday is the finals for every event for Classes 1, 2, and 3A. All events start with class 1A, followed by Class 2A and with Class 3A events wrapping up the event.

The day's events start at 10 a.m. with high jump, shot put, pole vault and long jump. Triple jump will follow long jump as lanes become available.

Discus finals start at 1:25 p.m.

Running events also begin at 10 a.m. with the 3200-meter run (group one of two.)

The order for events is as follows: 3200-meter run (group one), 4x800-meter relay, 4x100-meter relay, 3200-meter run (group two), 110-meter high hurdles, 100-meter dash, 800-meter run, 4x200-meter relay, 400-meter dash, 300-meter intermediate hurdles, 1600-meter run, 200-meter dash and the 4x400-meter relay to finish the day. All events should be ended by 5 p.m.



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Bryan Kraft, a senior at Polo Community High School in Polo, practices clearing a few hurdles Wednesday. The IHSA Boys Track and Field State Final Meet begins Thursday at 10 a.m.